GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CANTEEN FACILITY TO ASSAM RIFLES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware of the persistent demand from Assam Rifles for provision of canteen (CSD) facilities similar to Army;

(b) if so, the action taken/being taken by the Government to provide such facility both for the serving and the retired personnel;

(c) the time by which it is likely to be considered; and

(d) if not, reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (d): The Canteen Stores Department (CSD) facilities are available to personnel of Defence forces and are not admissible to the personnel of Para Military Forces except when they are under the operational control of Army. A proposal to extend the CSD facility to the CPF personnel was duly considered in consultation with Ministry of Defence but it could not be extended due to limited resources and infrastructure. However, some Para Military Forces have made arrangements to provide similar facilities to their personnel at unit level. Some forces also allow their retired personnel to avail such facilities.